(c) According to Report of Integrated Energy Policy 2006 by Planning Commission, "8.87% of India's commercial Primary energy is met by Natural Gas".

(d) The Government has adopted multi-pronged strategy to enhance gas production in the country, consisting *inter alia* of the following:-

i. Intensification of domestic E&P activities through NELP Rounds

ii. Coal Bed Methane (CBM)

iii. Underground Coal Gasification

iv. Gas Hydrates

**Allocations for North Eastern Region**

885. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of allocations made during the budgets for 2007-08 and 2008-09, for the Development of North Eastern Region;

(b) how much has been spent from the above allocation and how much is in balance;

(c) whether these allocations are directly received from the Ministry of Finance or are received through various Central Ministries; and

(d) what is the total unspent amount as on the 31st March, 2008?

THE MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE): (a) and (b) The details of allocations made to the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region during 2007-08 and 2008-09, the expenditure incurred and the unspent amount are as follows:

| | 2007-08 (in Rs Cr.) | 2008-09 (in Rs. Cr.) |
|---|---|---|
| Allocations made | 1432.00 | 1473.25 |
| Expenditure | 1406.60 | 1427.78* |
| Unspent amount | 25.40 | 45.47* |

* Provisional

(c) These allocations are directly received from the Ministry of Finance.

(d) The total unspent amount as on 31st March 2008 was Rs. 25.40 cr.

**Waste Disposal**

†886.SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to install separate plants for disposal of industrial and bio-waste, if so, by when Government would implement this project;

(b) the steps taken by Government to prevent plastic waste; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi